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Ho-Chunk Census ready for kickoff in December

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Staff Writer

The Ho-Chunk Census is scheduled to begin.

On December 7, the online version will become active, ready and willing to count people and all their associated household aspects.

Ho-Chunk members will be receiving information in the mail on how to complete the census survey. A link to the census is on the Ho-Chunk Nation web site at www.Ho-ChunkNation.com/census and a clickable link will soon be available to connect with the actual survey.

"The census will include questions about annual household income, monthly rental/mortgage and utility payments, the number of people and families in the housing unit, presence of anyone in the household with a disability that requires caregiving or adaptive equipment, employment and education, childcare, use of community services, transportation needs, and priorities for the Ho-Chunk Nation," said Kevin Klingbeil, managing director of Big Water Consulting, who is organizing

the census.

The census is important so that the Ho-Chunk Nation has accurate data on the Ho-Chunk population. That data is used for various programs and when applying for grants.

Also, the data will help with planning Ho-Chunk services and legislator redistricting. Each of the Ho-Chunk government department had input into the census survey.

After several weeks of the online version being available, a paper form of the survey will be mailed to households to those people who haven't completed it. This ensures that people who don't have access to the Internet will be able to fill out the form and send it back via the U.S. Postal Service.

Participation in the census is very important, Klingbeil said. For that reason, a "Census Day" will be employed in the second week of December. During that day, numerous sightings of census personnel will be

scene throughout all the Ho-Chunk communities, along with using the social media abundantly to get the word out, such as FaceBook, Twitter, Instagram, and Snapshot.

"We'll get tribal leaders in photos to promote the census, plus celebrities such as Bronson Koenig," Klingbeil said.

The message will be displayed on the marques at the Ho-Chunk Gaming facilities and on the gas pumps of the Whitetail Crossing businesses.

"We'll have photos of people holding banners, wearing census T-shirts, and even do challenges for the census like the ice bucket challenges," he said.

Also, incentives will be offered to entice people to complete the surveys. Names of the people who finished the survey will be gathered for a drawing of a number of prizes.

To help people fill out the online census surveys, a list of public accessible computers will be made available,



such as computers at community centers, tribal aging units, the Tribal Office Building, the House of Wellness, and youth centers.

After the online forms and paper forms have been received, some months after the initiation, a list will be made of people who haven't completed the survey. Volunteers then will go door-to-door to get the remaining surveys completed.

The last time a specific census of Ho-Chunk members was completed was in 1994 and 1995.

The information gained will be good for 10 years, Carol Garvin, former Planning Division director said

previously. It will help Nation departments to use statistics when addressing needs.

"We want people to know it's coming and they don't need to be afraid," said Angie Greengrass McDonald of the Planning Department. "None of the information will be shared with any other entity."

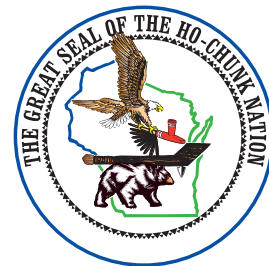
"Many grant applications across all programs require information about the age, income and veteran status of the population that would be served in order to document the needs and eligibility for the grant award, so expect questions about the topics," she said.

"There will also likely be some questions aimed to identify barriers to the use of some tribal programs and some questions targeted specifically to members living in each of the five districts," Greengrass McDonald said.

Any questions about the census should be directed to Greengrass McDonald at (715) 284-3939 or Klingbeil at kevin@bigwaterconsulting.net.



The Ho-Chunk Nation Census will begin online on December 7, with the Planning Department coordinating the event. Members of the department making it possible are Pine Giroux, Angie Greengrass McDonald and Heather Rebedew. Greengrass is holding the 1994-95 census report, which is the last time a Ho-Chunk census was conducted.



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Funmaker files lawsuit against Ho-Chunk Legislature for inaction

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Too much time had passed and nothing had been done, said Ho-Chunk member and veteran Gary Funmaker.

Funmaker filed a lawsuit against the Ho-Chunk Legislature on October 18 for that very reason. According to Funmaker, the General Council gave directives by way of resolutions to the Legislature, but the Legislature has failed to act.

Funmaker represented himself in Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court on November 19 to contest that the Legislature has not acted upon 165 resolutions that have been passed by General Council. In particular, Funmaker was interested in the resolution, passed by General Council on September 27, 2014, that immediately sell Chicago properties known as Southland.

Attorney Michael Murphy also was present, representing the Ho-Chunk Legislature, before Judge Mary Jo Hunter.

The session was a motion

hearing, with Murphy filing for the court to dismiss the case based on a lack of waiver of sovereign immunity, meaning the Legislature could not be sued because of immunity provided to them by the Ho-Chunk Constitution.

Murphy had filed for a motion to dismiss on October 28.

Funmaker made the point that he had talked to General Council Agency Attorney John Swimmer and that he indicated that it stipulates in the Constitution that the Ho-Chunk General Council could do so. Funmaker maintained that he is a member of General Council as a Ho-Chunk member.

He pointed out that, starting on page three of the Constitution, Section 3, it says, "This policy shall be made into laws, including codes, ordinances, resolutions and statutes by the Legislative Branch of the Ho-Chunk Nation within 45 days after majority vote of the qualified voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council at Annual Meetings



Plaintiff Gary Funmaker (left) challenged the Ho-Chunk Legislature in Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court on November 19 for not acting on General Council resolutions. His allegations were brought before Judge Mary Jo Hunter, with Michael Murphy as defense attorney.

and Special Meetings. The Executive Branch shall enforce this policy within 60 days of the majority vote of the qualified voters of the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council. In the event that this poli-

cy is not enacted by the Legislative Branch or enforced by the Executive Branch within 15 days of the aforementioned deadlines, the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council shall file suit in the Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Court against the elected officials of the Ho-Chunk Nation branch of government. The Supreme Court of the Ho-Chunk Nation shall have original jurisdiction within 15 days of the filing date of the suit."

Judge Hunter asked why Funmaker was bringing the lawsuit to the court versus the General Council Agency.

"I'm filing this as a member of General Council, as a Ho-Chunk member and as a veteran," he said. "It's my right to speak up. I served for this freedom and these rights have to be acted upon."

Murphy referred to an amendment to the Constitution, Amendment Number X, which states, "The Ho-Chunk Nation shall be immune from suit except to the extent that the Legislature expressly waives its sovereign immunity, and officials and employees of the Ho-Chunk Nation acting within the scope of their duties or authority shall be immune from suit."

The terms if which the waiver is instituted is if they were doing their duties, which they weren't, contented Funmaker. They weren't acting on their duties as handed down by General Council.

"The problem is, they did take action. They just didn't sell the property. But they did take action," Murphy said.

"Amendment 10 does bring about the waiver of the Executive and Legislative branches. A suit could be filed by General Council, but only if they didn't take action," Murphy said. "If the Legislature didn't take action, then a lawsuit is in order."

Judge Hunter asked what type of action was conducted on the resolution.

Murphy said the resolution was referred to lawyers for an opinion and that referral is a type of action.

Judge Hunter asked Fun-

maker if he believed referring the issue to lawyers was sufficient to be considered it to be acted upon, to which Funmaker said, "No."

Judge Hunter also questioned Funmaker if he had any documentation or any representation by legal counsel.

Funmaker said he had hoped Attorney Swimmer would have been present for the hearing, but he wasn't. He was given the opportunity to obtain counsel and to reconvene to continue with the motion hearing.

The next hearing has been set at 10 a.m. Thursday, December 10, at the Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Courtroom in Black River Falls.

"I see the sovereignty issue as moot, when it comes to the General Council making policy or bringing forth a resolution that is brought forward by majority vote during General Council that we enjoy annually to voice our opinions," Funmaker said after the court session. "So when we take it to court the sovereignty issue or veil does not exist, why because it is in favor of the Ho-Chunk people to act and offer majority opinions and give to 13 members of the legislature to action."

"They take an oath to act on the people's behalf. Now with 165 resolutions that have not been acted upon it is cause for a Special General Council to be called by Wilfred Cleveland, because he could have called for action on all the resolutions presently not acted upon, the Executive is also part of this lack of action on the ruling body of the Ho-Chunk Nation," Funmaker said.

He said that handing the resolution to study for an indefinite amount of time is not the definition of acting upon it.

"Our Constitution is either law or we have no authority or statutes to have any order in our Nation. The people must be heard on this administrative failure by their government," he said.

December

Elders Birthdays

1. Carol Calkins

2. Leslie Pettibone

Timothy Thompson

Cecelia Dobbs

Eliot Littlejohn

Beth Anacker

3. Dale WhiteEagle

5. Sharon Thompson

Patrick Red Eagle

Wanda Rose

Katherine Burgess

6. Andrew Delarosa

Rose Marie Funmaker

7. Debra Baublitt

8. Jess Whitewater

Sandra Radtke

Margaret Showers

Shirley Reed

9. Maribeth Jones

Sarah Lyons

Linda Revels

Patricia Logan

Nina Garvin

Rosemary Thundercloud

10. Kathlyn Hodge

Russell Poulton

11. Joycelyn Buchanan

Eileen Blackdeer

12. Chloris Lowe Sr.

Virzena Kofol

Byron Steele

Steven Kearnes

13. Lorenzo Funmaker

Rosemarie Davison

Movita Rodriguez

Audrey Littlewolf

15. Amelia Ortiz

Angelina Waege

16. Steven Link

18. Gloria Visintin

Jean Climer

19. Charles Smith

John Denny

Errol Mrotek

Gregory Lonetree

22. Ollie Heth

Lawrence La Mere

23. Levi Blackdeer

Carol Laustrup

24. Ralph Decorah

Christina La Mere

Mary Myers

25. Ronald Anwash

James Hellerud

Meredith Decorah

Mary Taylor

27. Keith Dick

Joy LightStorming

29. Sharyn Buchanan

Audrey Beverly Conner

Emma Weise

Eric Thundercloud

Gwendolyn Whitegull

30. Frank Dikeman

Willa Redcloud

31. Anita Whiteeagle

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Emerald Ash Borer topic of session for black ash weavers, pounders

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Staff Writer

An informational session about the devastation being caused by the Emerald Ash Borer to the black ash trees in Wisconsin was held on October 28 at Ho-Chunk Gaming – Black River Falls conference room.

“We held the meeting because the Emerald Ash Borer was found in Jackson County in August, which made formulating a response all the more urgent,” said HCN Forester Mark Gawron. “Also, the addition of Greg Blick to the DNR staff, who has experience formulating EAB response plans for municipalities in Illinois and Missouri, gave the DNR enough resources to plan the meeting. Furthermore, Kjetil Garvin finished her survey of basket trees on tribal lands this summer and we were able to use those results to inform our planning. She found only 14 trees suitable for basket making in her survey.”

The consensus reached by the pounders and weavers was that the first priority should be harvesting as many good basket trees as possible before they are destroyed by the bug, pound them out immediately, and store the resulting splints for the long term, Gawron said.

Second priority is collecting black ash seed and starting a plantation which will provide a source of black ash to future generations. It is hoped in the future resistant strains of black ash will be found that can survive EAB. Otherwise, this plantation may have to be grown in a modified greenhouse or under netting. This latter idea of netting was an idea thought up by Ho-Chunk basket makers during the meeting, and if we did pursue it we would be breaking new ground, Gawron said.

One of the main speakers for the event was Kelly Church, who is a fifth generation award-winning basket maker. She grew up in southwest Lower Michigan, an enrolled member of the Grand Traverse band of the Ottawa Chippewa Indians. She’s a woodlands style painter, a birch bark biter and an educator.

The Emerald Ash Borer was discovered in Michigan in 2002.

“When they found the destruction cause by the Emerald Ash Borer, they found out that it actually had been in the state for 10 years and it took that long to discover its presence. What I like to tell people is: You just discovered it in Wisconsin in 2013. Most likely it was here years before that. That is just when you discovered the bug. That doesn’t mean when it arrived here,” she said. “It’s here in more places than you discovered.”

The Emerald Ash Borer was discovered in Pennsylvania in 2007, but it was in the state six years before that when checking the growth rings of the tree and the damage incurred, she said.

She considers herself a product of an unbroken family line of basket weavers. In Michigan, there are 40 basket weavers, of which 25 are from her family.

She remembers when families would get together to harvest a tree. They didn’t have any black ash on the reservation, so they had to rely on private landowners to allow them to

harvest.

Within the tribe, many black ash seeds have been collected for future planting projects. The Saginaw Chippewa tribe has collected a lot of seeds in 2006, she said. Another tribe, Pokagon, has been doing experiments on the black ash trees by inoculating the trees yearly for the last three years. Although the trees have been thriving, upon closer inspection, the leaves are really dark green bordering on brown.

“Maybe too much injection,” she said. “What has been recommended is once every two or three years. You have to think about it going into the soil and being absorbed by seedlings, then the deer eat the seedling and we eat the deer.”

As far as the present situation, the best they can do is use what is available to them.

“We don’t have access to black ash in the Lower Peninsula anymore. In March 2014 was the last time we harvested a black ash tree. It was a beautiful tree, 40 to 50 feet high, but it was galled from top to bottom,” she said.

When they would harvest a tree with EAB damage, they would use a shave knife to remove all the outer layers to get to undamaged part and then begin pounding. It would result in wasting all the green wood, but the damaged material needed to be removed, she said.

“Used to be, I could go 15 minutes in any direction to harvest a tree, but they are all gone now in the Lower Peninsula.

“I can go to any of the stands of black ash and not find any live trees,” she said. “But we are seeing some of the seedlings survive.”

In 2011 and 2012, the tribe collected as many seeds as possible. They collected by using pruning poles and shaking the trees. After gathering them, the seeds would be placed in paper bags to dry, then stored in the freezer. If stored properly, they can remain good for 25 to 30 years, but not all seeds will be viable.

“Out of 100 seeds, you might only have 10 that are good,” she said. “Try to get all the seeds you can from a tree before harvesting it. I knew where a nice tree was, but it was producing seeds, so we left it. The next year it was dead.

“It can go quicker than you can imagine,” Church said. “Black ash will only seed every five to seven years and the Emerald Ash Borer can kill in three to five years, so you have to concentrate on those seeds. Seeds is the number one thing we have to think about.”

She thought that, if the EAB was going to start anywhere in the United States, that lower Michigan would be the best place because it is isolated, being bordered on three sides by the Great Lakes. But, unfortunately, it was removed from the state because people moved firewood, plus a nursery sent tree stock to Virginia.

“This year we are harvesting black ash in the Upper Peninsula,



Michigan basket weaver Kelly Church shows one of her black ash bark baskets.

which is a whole different environment,” she said. “The UP is a drier climate. The wetter areas have better black ash. To harvest the trees and to split them – it’s just not the same. The logs are much drier in the UP.”

They try to get the youth involved in the harvesting as much as possible. For instance, they harvested a tree next to a stream that had an abundance of fish. The youth wanted to go fishing.

“If you get the pounding done first,” Church said. “That gave them a little incentive to get going on the project and make the whole project an enjoyable experience.”

One of the most important things that youth need to experience is how to collect seeds, teach them about the tree and how it looks, and teach them everything you know because they are the ones that will carry on the knowledge.

“They’re the ones, in 40 to 50 years, who will be teaching other people,” she said.

Church showed a cylindrical craft she referred to as a “bark basket.” She said she doesn’t sell them regularly anymore, but keeps them as educational material to show what black ash bark looks like.

She also has made a number of flash cards with photos as identifiers of black ash. She will use them during her educational sessions. The photos show the bark, the leaves, buds and various aspects and stages of the black ash.

“The only tree that you could possibly get the bark mixed up with is elm, but the leaves are different,” she said.

Church has a positive outlook about the survival of black ash. In China, ash has developed a resistance to the EAB and she thinks the black ash also will do so in the United States.

“I think our trees, in the next decade, could also gain a resistance. But that may be wishful thinking,” she said. “There are elm trees out there, which are pretty big. We thought we would lose all our elm but there are some still around and growing.”

She said 99 percent of the black ash trees in lower Michigan, 503 million, are dead, but she is hopeful the one percent will continue to grow and survive.

“This bug is moving fast, is harder than we thought. It’s good for us to act quickly as well,” Church said.

In China, they released a certain type of wasp that kills the EAB and has a 70 percent effective rate. That might work in the U.S., but it would involve introducing an invasive species, which could have adverse long-term effects.

“I like to say let’s count on our own native species,” she said. “For instance, woodpeckers eat 15 to 16 percent of the EAB, but they also destroy the bark. There are three or four other wasps that might control the Emerald Ash Borer that is native to our area.”

In the meanwhile, she is preparing for the worst by creating all types of educational material for future generations, such as pictures and videos that show the various stages of harvesting, pounding, stripping and weaving of baskets.

“We’re probably going to miss a generation of harvesters and weavers due to the Emerald Ash Borer,” Church said.

Her fulltime job is making baskets and educating people how to harvest, pound, strip and weave.

“I make a living from baskets,” she said.

Pounders are one of the most important people in developing the trade and they are becoming fewer.

“I have a husband who pounds and that’s like their assurance we’ll never divorce them if you’re a basket weaver,” she said. “I don’t know if I could ever find another pounder. So my husband always thinks he has it made.”

In the Traverse Bay Band, if young men get into trouble with the law, for probation they have to go to a weaver’s house to pound. It’s not a punishment. It’s getting them back into their culture, she said. After probation, the weaver will pay them to pound, so it is a way for them to make money.

Also, if black ash becomes extinct, there are other materials that can be used. For instance, cattails, bulrushes and cedar can be weaved into mats and baskets can be made from birch bark.

“We can use many materials and skills that haven’t been used for a while – skills that have been lost,” she said.

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Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland calls the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Roll Call: President Wilfrid Cleveland-P
Rep. Andrea Estebo-EX
Vice President Darren Brinegar-P
Rep. David Greendeer-EX
Rep. Greg Blackdeer-P
Rep. Douglas Greengrass-EX
Rep. Lori Pettibone - EX
Rep. Henning Garvin -P
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-EX
Rep. Shelby Visintin -P
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-P
Rep. Matt Mullen – (11:19)
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit -P
Rep. Robert TwoBears- P

Determination of Quorum:

Quorum is established at 10:15 a.m.

Opening Prayer: President Wilfrid Cleveland offered a word of prayer.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to approve the agenda with the following additions; moving NB. Item K for 3:00 p.m.; Under District Meetings-Baraboo Area Meeting minutes-October 19, 2015; and moving New Business V. Seventh Annual Tribal Nations to Executive Session. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Regular Legislative Meeting October 6, 2015

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to approve the October 6, 2015 Legislative Meeting minutes as presented. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Administration October 8, 2015

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to approve the October 8, 2015 Administration Committee meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Economic Diversification (Standing Agenda Item)-Rep. Matt Mullen:

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to table the Economic Diversification Agenda Item. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution- Extension of Timeframe for the Negotiation and Approval of Final Term Sheet and Commitment Letter with PNC Bank for the Community Reinvestment Project-Sandra Gleason, Treasurer

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to table the Resolution-Extension of Timeframe for the Negotiation and Approval of Final Term Sheet and Commitment Letter with PNC Bank for the Community Reinvestment Project. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS:

Resolution-Signature Authority Change.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 A**, Signature Authority Change. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. 6-0-1(Rep. Henning Garvin)

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Authorization to Transfer Funds from Restricted Account into District 1 Community Center Development Fund.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 B**, Authorization to Transfer Funds from Restricted Account into District 1 Community Center Development Fund. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Tribal Transportation Program Town of Komensky Clay School and East Fork Road Maintenance Cooperative Project.

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15C**, Tribal Transportation Program of Komensky Clay School and East Fork Road Maintenance Cooperative Project. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Resolution- 2016-2019 Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan.

MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15D**, 2016-2019 Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.
Resolution-Authorization to Place the Proposed Probate Code for Trust or Restricted Property (8 HCC § 9) Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 E**, Authorization to Place the Proposed Probate Code for Trust or Restricted Property (8 HCC § 9) out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Robert Two Bears. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Authorization to Place the Proposed Probate Code for Non-Trust Property (8 HCC § 10) Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 F**, Authorization to Place the Proposed Probate Code for Non-Trust Property (8 HCC§10) Out for Forty-Five Day Public Comment. Second by Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.
Resolution-Establishment of Healthy is a Ho-Chunk Tradition Task Force.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 G**, Establishment of Healthy is a Ho-Chunk Tradition Task Force. Second by Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-HHCDA's 2015 ICDBG Wittenberg Head Start Development Project- Public Facilities and Improvements: Day Care Center Certification that the Nation Has Met the ICDBG Citizen Participation Requirement.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 H**, HHCDAS 2015 ICDBG Wittenberg Head Start Development Project-Public Facilities and Improvements: Day Care Center Certification that the Nation Has Met the ICDBG Citizen Participation Requirement. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-HHCDA's 2015 ICDBG Wittenberg Head Start Development Project-Public Facilities and Improvements: Day Care Center.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 I**, HHCDAs 2015 ICDBG Wittenberg Head Start Development Project-Public Facilities and Improvements: Day Care Center. Second Rep. Shelby Visintin. 7-0-0.

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-Appointment of Judge Pro Tempore for Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court Case CV 15-16.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to table the resolution Appointment of Judge Pro Tempore for Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court Case CV15-16 until after lunch. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

Resolution-In Support of Recommended Changes to the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority Qualified Allocation Plan Requirements for Low Income Housing Tax Credits.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 J**, In Support of Recommended Changes to the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority Qualified Allocation Plan Requirements for Low Income Tax Credits. Second by Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.
General Council Resolutions from September 19, 2015 Annual General Council Meeting.

Resolution-Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-02 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution to Establish a Department of Agriculture and Department of Natural Resources Under the Executive Branch.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 K**, Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-02 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution to Establish a Department of Agriculture and Department of Natural Resources under the Executive Branch. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED

Resolution-Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-04 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution that the Department of Veterans Affairs Become Autonomously Actualized and that the Veterans Home Ownership Act Become a Funded Programmatic Reality.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15L**, Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-04 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution that the Department of Veterans Affairs Become Autonomously Actualized and that the Veterans Home Ownership Act Become a Funded Programmatic Reality. Second by Rep. Robert Two Bears

7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED**
Resolution-Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-06 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution to Endorse the Declaration of Extraterritoriality.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 M**, Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-06 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution to Endorse the Declaration of Extraterritoriality. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED**
Resolution-Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-07 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution to have the General Council Meeting on the Third Saturday of Every September Annually.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 N**, Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-07 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution to Have the General Council Meeting on the Third Saturday of Every September Annually. Second by Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED
Resolution-Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-08 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution Concerning the Legalization and Sale of Marijuana on Tribal Lands.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15-O**, Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-08 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution Concerning the Legalization and Sale of Marijuana on Tribal Lands. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 6-0-1(Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit)

MOTION CARRIED
Resolution-Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-09 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution To Amend the Constitution and Provide for the Rights of Nature.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15-P**, Acknowledgement of General Council Resolution 9/19/2015-09 and Legislative Action Regarding the Resolution to Amend the Constitution and Provide for the Rights of Nature. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED
Resolution-Establishment of Work Group to Plan for Creation of Executive Branch Department of Agriculture and Department of Natural Resources.

Rep. Henning Garvin volunteers to be a sponsor, along with Rep. Greg Blackdeer. Joy Thompson, GCA requests to be a part of the workgroup meetings.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 Q**, Establishment of Work Group to Plan for the Creation of Executive Branch Department of Agriculture and Department of Natural Resources. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED
Resolution-Establishment of Work Group to Plan for Creation of Executive Branch Department of Veterans Affairs.

MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 R**, Establishment of Work Group to Plan for the Creation of Executive Branch Department of Veterans Affairs. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED**
DISTRICT MEETINGS:
Black River Falls Area Meeting:
MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer

to refer to Department of Justice and Legislative Counsel the **MOTION** by Ritchie Brown to support the Cooperative County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement between Jackson County and the Ho-Chunk Nation for 2015. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to Finance and Office of the President the **MOTION** by Jessica Stacy to approve the donation of \$150,000.00 for the Black River Falls Youth Hockey request to be taken from the Gaming Compact Deduction line item and upon approval of the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature, that it is strongly suggested that BRYH utilize the Ho-Chunk Nations Department of Labor to provide workers to help construct the shelter and that the Ho-Chunk Nation is utilized in the naming of the facility. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to Office of the President, Department of Justice the **MOTION** by Forrest Funmaker that the Education Department change from requiring Official Transcripts to accepting Electronic Transcripts to close out files in the Higher Education Division. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

READ FOR THE RECORD:

Rep. Greg Blackdeer will work with the Planning Department.

MOTION by Alvane King that District 1 support the families in our district and look for a location to serve as a community building in the Eau Claire/Chippewa Falls/Osseo-Fairchild/Augusta area.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to the Finance Committee the **MOTION** by Sandi Blackdeer for the Ho-Chunk Nation to pledge a donation of \$5,000 to support team “Make it Rain” in the American Red Cross Dancing with the La Crosse Stars. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Cari Roesch that when the Legislature has their next meeting regarding Resolution 04.07.15L that Cecelia Kraus and Dr. Jeremy Rockman be a part of that committee.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to HHCDa the **MOTION** by Marie Lewis to look into the cost of building a skate park in either Sand Pillow or the Mission. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to Office of the President the **MOTION** by Tina Brown to have the walking trail around the Tribal Office Building be maintained throughout the winter. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to HHCDa the **MOTION** by JoVanna White eagle to have the walking trail in Sand Pillow be maintained throughout the winter. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to the Office of the President the **MOTION** by Sandi Blackdeer to have the Department of Business present at the next area meeting regarding the point system change and provide the report for the previous 4 months, as well as the month before the system change. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to refer to the Office of the President the **MOTION** by Betty White to look into the closing of the Bingo Hall on Tuesdays and Thursdays and if it is financially feasible. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

READ FOR RECORD:

MOTION by Marie Lewis to move the District 1 Area meeting from the 11th to the 4th.

La Crosse Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to General Council Agency the **MOTION** by Mike Sallaway that the La Crosse area GCA Alternate be notified and requested to submit his resignation therefore allowing the area to acquire an Alternate for the GCA. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 7-0-0

MOTION

CARRIED.
Note: The alternate has moved out of the area.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the TAU Advisory Board the **MOTION** by Mike Sallaway that the La Crosse area get a TAU Representative. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer.

7-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**

Tomah Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to General Council Agency the **MOTION** by George Greendeer that the GCA take the concerns regarding the elder and handicapped payouts and resolve this issue. Second by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

Baraboo Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to the TAU Advisory Board for consideration the **MOTION** by Carol White Thunder that elite elders residing on trust land have their home insurance costs be paid up to the same amount that elite elders property tax be paid. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

Wittenberg Area Meeting:

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Department of Justice and Legislative Counsel the **MOTION** by Cici Antone to approve the Cooperative County Law Enforcement Agreement between Shawano County and the Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Office of the President and the Housing Committee the **MOTION** by Lorenzo Funmaker that Legislature bring in an outside State Certified Home Inspector for the homes in the Wittenberg Area. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Cici Antone the support HHCDa in applying for this year’s ICDBG Grant, and Legislative matching funds for the grant.

Wisconsin Dells Area Meeting:

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Department of Justice and Legislative Counsel the **MOTION** by Patti Ennis to accept to the Cooperative County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement between Juneau County and Ho-Chunk Nation, a Federally-Recognized Indian Tribe for the Grant Year 2016. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

READ FOR THE RECORD:

MOTION by Manda Mann recommends the President to gather a list of qualified, educated and experienced candidates for any vacant Executive Director position from the Ho-Chunk Nation Education Department.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Department of Justice and Housing Committee the **MOTION** by Sheridan Cloud to incorporate drug testing of applicants for Housing and HHCDa rental applications as a part of lease agreements along with random drug testing to maintain residency. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Vice President Darren Brinegar to refer to Office of the President and Health Department the **MOTION** by Patti Ennis to have a Community Health Representative and a Community Health Nurse assigned to the WI Dells/Indian Heights Area. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 7-0-0

MOTION CARRIED.

Wisconsin Rapids Area Meeting:

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to Department of Justice and Legislative Counsel the **MOTION** by Myrna Thompson to Accept the Cooperative County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement between Wood County and Ho-Chunk Nation, a Federally Recognized Indian Tribe for grant year 2016. Second by Rep. Shelby Visintin. 6-0-1 (Vice President Darren Brinegar)

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to refer to HHCDa the **MOTION** by Celina Twin for HHCDa to build a Gymnasium with locker rooms in Chak-hah-Chee. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 6-0-1 (Vice President Darren Brinegar)

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin

Attorney mentions that work will be allowed on homes up until the new roll out of the TERO Ordinance. **MOTION** by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 T**, Repeal of the Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (“TERO”). Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 9-0-2(Rep. Robert Two Bears, Rep. David Greendeer) **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution- Appointment of Judge Pro Tempore for Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court Case CV 15-16. **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 10-20-15 U**, Appointment of Judge Pro Tempore for Ho-Chunk Nation Trial Court Case CV 15-16. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar. 9-1(Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit)-1(Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit) **MOTION CARRIED.**
Executive Session-2nd: **MOTION** by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to go into Executive Session. Second by Vice President Darren Brinegar 9-0-2 (Rep. David Greendeer, Rep. Kathy DeCamp) **MOTION CARRIED.** 3:32 p.m.
MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit to move to Open Session. Second by Rep. Matt Mullen. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** *Rep. David Greendeer, Rep. Kathy DeCamp were not on the line.* 4:43 p.m.
MOTION by Rep. Kathyleen LoneTree-Whiterabbit to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. Robert Two Bears. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Adjournment: **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to adjourn to the Tribal Executive Offices, Black River Falls, Wisconsin on November 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
The Legislative meeting adjourned at 4:44 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by,
Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit,
Tribal Secretary

HO-CHUNK NATION
LEGISLATURE
REGULAR MEETING
TRIBAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES
BLACK RIVER FALLS,
WISCONSIN
NOVEMBER 3, 2015


Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland calls the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.
Roll Call: President Wilfrid Cleveland-P
Rep. Andrea Estebo-P
Vice President Darren Brinegar-EX
Rep. David Greendeer-EX
Rep. Greg Blackdeer- P
Rep. Douglas Greengrass-EX
Rep. Lori Pettibone - P
Rep. Henning Garvin -P
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-P
Rep. Shelby Visintin -EX
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-EX
Rep. Matt Mullen -CC

Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit -EX
Rep. Robert TwoBears -P
Determination of Quorum: Quorum is not established.
Call to Order: President Wilfrid Cleveland calls the meeting to order at 10:26 a.m.
Roll Call: President Wilfrid Cleveland-P
Rep. Andrea Estebo-P
Vice President Darren Brinegar-EX
Rep. David Greendeer-P
Rep. Greg Blackdeer-P
Rep. Douglas Greengrass-EX
Rep. Lori Pettibone - P
Rep. Henning Garvin -P
Rep. Kathy DeCamp-P
Rep. Shelby Visintin -EX
Rep. Forrest Whiterabbit-EX
Rep. Matt Mullen -CC
Rep. Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit -EX
Rep. Robert TwoBears -P
Determination of Quorum: Quorum is established.
Opening Prayer: President Wilfrid Cleveland offered a word of prayer.
Approval of Agenda: **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to approve the agenda with the following additions: Under New Business- K. Resolution- Nike N7 Grant, L.-Resolution-MAA HIRAKARA Work Group and striking Unfinished Business- A.- Economic Diversification. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:
Regular Legislative Meeting October 20, 2015
MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to approve the October 20, 2015 Legislative Meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Housing - October 22, 2015
MOTION by Rep. David Greendeer to approve the October 22, 2015 Housing Committee meeting minutes as presented. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Development - October 27, 2015
MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to approve the October 27, 2015 Development Committee meeting minutes as presented. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Health, Social Services & Insurance - October 27, 2015
MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to approve the October 27, 2015 Health, Social Services & Insurance Committee meeting minutes with corrections. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Finance - October 28, 2015
MOTION by Rep. Robert TwoBears to approve the October 28, 2015 Finance Committee meeting minutes as presented. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution- Approval of the Contract for the Ho-Chunk Language Educators’ Certification Program between the University of Wisconsin Marshfield/Wood County and the Ho-Chunk Nation.

MOTION by Rep. David Greendeer to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-A**, Approval of the Contract for the Ho-Chunk Language Educators’ Certification Program between the University of Wisconsin Marshfield/ Wood County and the Ho-Chunk Nation. Second by Rep. Lori Pettibone. 8-0-0
MOTION CARRIED.
Resolution- BRF Youth Hockey Compact Deduct Request **MOTION** by Rep. Lori Pettibone to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-B**, BRF Youth Hockey Compact Deduct Request. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer 2-5(Rep. Andrea Estebo, Rep. Henning Garvin, Rep. David Greendeer, Rep. Robert Two Bears, Rep. Kathy DeCamp)-1 (Rep. Matt Mullen)
MOTION DEFEATED.
Resolution- BRF Youth Hockey Compact Deduct Request **MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-C**, BRF Youth Hockey Compact Deduct Request in the amount of \$25,000.00. Second by Rep. David Greendeer 7-0-1(Rep. Robert TwoBears) **MOTION CARRIED.**
NEW BUSINESS:
Resolution-Cancellation of Lease #2308 on Lot #7 of Winnebago Heights #439 T 2100 Rescinding 5-22-12 B-Julie Mann **MOTION** by Rep. Robert Two Bears to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-D**, Cancellation of Lease #2308 on Lot #7 of Winnebago Heights #439 T 2100 Rescinding 5-22-12 B. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Authorization of Land Lease on Lot #7 of #439 T 2100 for Stuart Lonetree-Julie Mann **MOTION** by Rep. Robert Two Bears to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-E**, Authorization of Land Lease on Lot #7 of #439 T 2100 for Stuart Lonetree. Rep. Henning Garvin 8-0-0
MOTION CARRIED.
Resolution-Authorization of Land Lease Modification for Lease #2629 Rescinding 04-21-15 J -Julie Mann **MOTION** by Rep. Robert Two Bears to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-F**, Authorization of Land Lease Modification for Lease #2629 Rescinding 04-21-15 J. Second by Rep. David Greendeer 6-0-2 (Rep. Andrea Estebo, Rep. Henning Garvin) **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Approval of the CY 2016 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Juneau County. **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-G**, Approval of the CY 2016 County/ Tribal Law Enforcement for Juneau County. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Approval of the CY 2016 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Sauk County. **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-H**, Approval of the CY 2016 County/ Tribal Law Enforcement for Sauk County. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Approval of the CY 2016 County/Tribal Law Enforcement


Agreement for Wood County. **MOTION** by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15 I**, Approval of the CY 2016 County/ Tribal Law Enforcement for Wood County. Second by Rep. David Greendeer 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Resolution-Authorization to Deduct Amounts from Annual Gaming Compact Payment in Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for Contribution to Wisconsin West Central Metropolitan Enforcement Group (MEG) Unit Approval of the CY 2016 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Wood County. **MOTION** by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-J**, Authorization to Deduct Amounts from Annual Gaming Compact Payment in Fiscal Year 2015-16 for Contribution to Wisconsin West Central Metropolitan Enforcement Group (MEG) Unit Approval of the CY 2016 County/Tribal Law Enforcement Agreement for Wood County. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 9-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** *Vice President Darren Brinegar arrives at 10:54 a.m.*
Resolution-Grant of Service Line Agreement to Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative. **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-K**, Grant of Service Line Agreement to Central Wisconsin Electric Cooperative. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 8-0-1 (Vice President Darren Brinegar). **MOTION CARRIED**
Resolution-Grant of Service Line Agreement to Wittenberg Telephone. **MOTION** by Rep. Kathy DeCamp to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15 L**, Grant of Service Line Agreement to Wittenberg Telephone. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 8-0-1(Vice President Darren Brinegar) **MOTION CARRIED**
Mauston Native American Awareness Committee Request-Vice President Darren Brinegar **MOTION** by VP Darren Brinegar to table the Mauston Native American Awareness Committee Request for this afternoon. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. **VICE PRESIDENT DARREN BRINEGAR WITHDRAWS MOTION. SECOND CONCURS.** **MOTION** by Vice President Darren Brinegar to approve \$5,000.00 for the Mauston Native American Awareness Committee Request from the Youth Assistance Fund to include all areas covered within the last two years that have had District Meetings and to have a reconciliation submitted two weeks after the event. The event is on an expedited emergency basis. Second by Rep. Kathy DeCamp. 8-0-1 (Rep. Lori Pettibone) **MOTION CARRIED.**
NOTE: In accordance with the Legislative Organization Act, 2/3rds vote is required.
MOTION by Rep. Andrea Estebo to request the areas provide a budget breakdown and reconciliation from last year’s appropriation. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 8-0-1 (Rep. Lori Pettibone) **MOTION**

CARRIED.
Resolution-Nike N7 Grant. **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-M**, Nike N7 Grant. Second by Rep. David Greendeer. 9-0-0. **MOTION CARRIED**
Resolution-Establishment of MAA HIRAKARA Work Group. **MOTION** by Rep. David Greendeer to adopt **Resolution 11-03-15-N**, Establishment of MAA HIRAKARA Work Group. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 9-0-0. **MOTION CARRIED**
DISTRICT MEETINGS:
Madison Area Meeting: *No motions.*
Baraboo Area Meeting:
READ FOR THE RECORD: **MOTION** by JoAnn Jones to approve the Sauk County Law Enforcement Agreement. **MOTION** by Rep. David Greendeer to appoint Tina Warner as the Sauk County LEC Alternate, pending a background check. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Rep. Robert Two Bears is out of the room.
FYI: **MOTION** by Joe Decorah to table the GCA Alternate nomination until next month’s meeting.
MOTION by Rep. David Greendeer to refer to HHCDa and Housing Committee the **MOTION** by JoAnn Jones that the Legislature rescind the \$600,000 they appropriated and allocated for the Waakšik MAA Community Building to HHCDa to develop a strategic plan for the Waakšik MAA Community Building as HHCDa were absent from the strategic plan and development plan. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 6-2 (Rep. Kathy DeCamp, Vice President Darren Brinegar)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
MOTION by Rep. David Greendeer to refer to HHCDa and Housing Committee the **MOTION** by Lucinda Lonetree that the HHCDa grant for Waakšik MAA Community Building be repurposed for housing needs. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 6-2(Rep. Kathy DeCamp, Vice President Darren Brinegar) -0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
MOTION by Rep. David Greendeer to refer to HHCDa and the Ho-Chunk Nation Attorney General the **MOTION** by Toree Jones that HHCDa pay their Cii Roo Ha bills to all vendors in the amount of \$128,297.00 from the NPI accounts. Second by Rep. Henning Garvin. 6-2(Rep. Kathy DeCamp, Vice President Darren Brinegar)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to appoint Estelle Greendeer as the Election Board Delegate. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 7-0-1(Rep. David Greendeer) **MOTION CARRIED.**
MOTION by Rep. David Greendeer to appoint Kimberly Crowley as the Election Board Alternate. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Executive Session: **MOTION** by Rep. Henning Garvin to go into Executive Session. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 8-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** 11:34 a.m.
MOTION by Rep. Greg Blackdeer to move to Open Session. Second by Rep. Andrea Estebo. 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.** *Rep. Shelby Visintin, Rep. Matt Mullen on conference call.* 1:25 p.m.
MOTION by Rep. Henning Garvin to ratify all action taken in Executive Session. Second by Rep. David Greendeer 10-0-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
Adjournment: **MOTION** by Rep. Andrea Estebo to adjourn to the Tribal Executive Offices, Black River Falls, Wisconsin on November 17, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Second by Rep. Greg Blackdeer. 8-2(Rep. David Greendeer, Rep. Kathy DeCamp)-0 **MOTION CARRIED.**
The Legislative meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by,
Kathyleen Lone Tree-Whiterabbit,
Tribal Secretary



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Veterans honored at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg

Submitted by Joey Daniels- Sr. Manager Public Relations, Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg

On November 11, 2015, around 100 guests in attendance witnessed a beautiful Flag Raising ceremony held at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg to honor past, present and future veterans for their service. The weather was perfect for such a heartwarming ceremony and Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg was honored to promote such an important day.

The Master of Ceremony, Army Veteran and Ho-Chunk tribal member, Mr. Lawrence Walker Jr. welcomed those in attendance and started the event by introducing the Lake Delton Singers, as they began singing the Ho-Chunk Flag Song. The following veterans were honored to raise the flags at this year's Veteran's Day Flag raising ceremony: Mr. Sid Whitewing-(Ho-Chunk tribal Member - US Army), Mr. Gary Snowadzki (HCGW Security – US Marine Corps),

Mr. Eric Lemieux (Ho-Chunk tribal Member – US Army), Mr. Brian Block (HCGW Security – US Army), Mr. Corwin Roth (Ho-Chunk tribal Member – US Marine Corps) and Mr. Michael Montgomery (HCGW Security – US Army).

Hearing the beat of the drum and listening to the words being sung, the gathered crowd stood proud watching the flags rise. The Birnamwood Darling Gundersen Post 341 Color Guard stood at attention as the 21 gun salute and playing of Taps commenced after the flags had been raised.

Lawrence Walker Jr. stated, “Native Americans have the greatest number per capita than any other ethnic group to serve in the Armed Forces.” With all of these Veterans working together they made this year's Flag Raising ceremony one of the best yet. We thank each and every one of them for taking the time to come and celebrate Veteran's Day at Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg.



Veterans gather at Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg flag poles to observe Veterans Day.



Lake Delton singers sang a flag song as friends and family of veterans gathered for Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg's Veterans Day celebration.



Army Veteran Lawrence Walker Jr. served as emcee for the Veterans Day program.

Veterans Day flag raising at Ho-Chunk Gaming - WI Dells



Captain December Dickerson, U.S. Army Engineer and former combat veteran was the keynote speaker at the Veterans Day Flag Raising at Ho-Chunk Gaming - WI Dells.



Sanford White Eagle American Legion Post 556 deliver a 21-gun salute during the Veterans Day Flag Raising.

Ho-Chunk American Legion Posts celebrate Veterans Day

Marlon WhiteEagle
Editor

The 3 Ho-Chunk American Legion Posts, Andrew Blackhawk Post 129, Joseph White Post 442, and the Sanford White Eagle Post 556 celebrated Veterans Day at the Blackhawk post building on November 10, 2015. The Ho-Chunk Nation Division of Veterans Affairs sponsored the celebration to recognize and honor all veterans.

The celebration started with a noon luncheon consisting of soup, sandwich, coffee and cake served inside the post building.

At 1 pm, the 3 American Legion Posts gathered in formation to present the colors as a Welcome Song was sung by the Wisconsin Dells singers. Each post brought in their respective Eagle staff, US flag, Ho-Chunk Nation flag, Post colors, and various service flags.

A Ho-Chunk Nation flag song was sung and the colors

were posted. The veterans saluted the colors before Robert Mann introduced Blackhawk Post Chaplain Ralph Snake to offer the invocation.

Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland gave some welcoming and opening remarks on the Veterans Day celebration.

Wisconsin Dells singers sang the 4 service songs. A veteran from each service carried and danced with the service flag while the song was sung.

The Marine Corps song received special recognition from the Wisconsin Dells singers, as November 10 is also the birthday of the Marine Corps.

Next, veterans could share their memories of their time in the service.

Wisconsin Dells singers also sang Warrior songs as the veterans danced and celebrated.

The colors were retired at 3 pm.



Veterans from the 3 Ho-Chunk American Legion Posts present the colors during a Veterans Day celebration.



Tim Hansen carries the Army flag.



Veterans salute the colors.



Ralph Snake carries the Air Force flag.



Tasheena Cloud carries the Navy flag.



Marcus White Eagle carries the Marine Corps flag.



Blackhawk Post Chaplain Ralph Snake offers an invocation.



Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfrid Cleveland gives welcoming remarks during the Veterans Day celebration.

Descendants of the Red Arrow keep moving forward with tradition

Submitted by Vaughn R. Larson, Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs

In the shadow of the training fields where Wisconsin National Guard Soldiers — ancestors of the 32nd Infantry Division — encamped and trained, members of the Ho-Chunk Nation gathered to continue a decades-old ceremony honoring their veterans.

“We consider it hallowed ground,” said Quentin Thundercloud.

Nearly 100 years ago — before they were legally recognized as U.S. citizens — 28 members of what was then referred to as the Wisconsin Winnebago Tribe enlisted in Company D, 128th Infantry Regiment at Camp Douglas, Wis., for World War I. Among them were 15-year-old Arthur Decorah, his 17-year-old brother Henry, and their father Foster, who was not about to let his sons go to war without him. On Aug. 1, 1918, Henry saw his father killed during combat in France.

Six decades later, daughters of Ho-Chunk members George, John and William Miner held a pow-wow at Volk Field to honor their World War I veterans. They called themselves “Daughters of the Red Arrow,” or DORA, but that name would become “Descendants of the Red Arrow.”

“I thought it was important that people know the history of our people that went to war in World War I,” Thundercloud said. “A lot of us wouldn’t be here if they had not returned.”

Thundercloud explained that a combat veteran, some-

one who has fought and killed the enemy, is entitled to certain rights other tribe members do not receive.

“In our tribe we hold that veteran as one of the highest esteemed persons,” he said. “Songs are made for them — we’ll sing their song in honor of them. They have the ability to put eagle feathers on their female relatives — that’s a right they have. Not everybody can wear a feather.”

Over time, the annual pow-wows have honored Ho-Chunk members who have served in all major U.S. conflicts since World War I. Gathered around a ceremonial drum emblazoned with the Red Arrow symbol that identifies the 32nd Division — and today’s 32nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, headquartered less than a mile away from the pow-wow — the Thundercloud Singers performed songs in honor of each branch of military service, as well as songs honoring Ho-Chunk veterans. The honor guard from the Andrew Blackhawk American Legion Post 129 presented the colors in a solemn dance around the singers. Names of World War I veterans were read, and U.S. flags presented to Ho-Chunk veterans were hoisted aloft in tribute.

“Their unselfish dedication to the preservation of freedom is in keeping with the highest traditions of the Wisconsin Winnebago warriors and United States military service,” said Michael Day, who emceed the ceremony. “Remember these people — they are our relatives. That’s why we’re here today. Remember



Ho-Chunk Nation members present the colors during the 38th Annual Veterans Day Powwow Nov. 7 at Volk Field, Wis. The Descendants of the Red Arrow, members of the Ho-Chunk Nation, gathered for the cultural celebration which began to honor the 28 members of the Ho-Chunk Nation who served with Company D, 1st Battalion, 128th Infantry, 32nd Division, during World War I. Over the years, the annual powwow has honored Ho-Chunk veterans of all major U.S. conflicts since World War I. All Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs photos by Vaughn R. Larson

this — we are the ancestors of tomorrow. How we conduct ourselves is how this tradition will last.”

Col. Dave Romuald, Volk Field Air National Guard Base commander, participated in a ceremonial dance and spoke briefly during the ceremony.

“I think it’s important that we recognize the veterans that are here today,” Romuald said. “I extend my gratitude for your service to our country. It’s important the country understand the sacrifice, service and dedication of all veterans.”

Romuald also said he would have Airmen visit the pow-wow throughout the day “and witness what real warriors are all about.”

Day presented Thundercloud with an eagle wing — a significant honor — in recognition of his faithfulness in organizing the annual pow-wow over the years.

“Without him holding this together as the glue, we wouldn’t have this today,” Day said, “and we want to thank him.”

“We’re just trying to keep the culture going, the traditions going,” Thundercloud said. “I’m going to try and continue as long as I can.”

Marian Miner, a sister of the late William Miner, has also helped with the annual pow-wow almost from its start in 1978.

“Since that was my brother, I’ve been putting everything I can into it to keep it going and to keep our tradition going,” she said. “I’m very proud of my father and his brothers. They all were in the service. My daughters take part because Bill was their uncle, and you do whatever your uncle says. They still carry it on even though he’s not here.”

“We’re proud to be descendants of the Red Arrow.”



Col. Dave Romuald, Volk Field commander, Lt. Col. Christopher Hansen and Master Sgt. Vaughn Wilberg join in a song.



The Descendants of the Red Arrow, members of the Ho-Chunk nation, prepare to hoist U.S. flags presented to Ho-Chunk veterans.



Michael Day presents Quentin Thundercloud with eagle feathers, in part for Thundercloud’s role in maintaining the Veterans Day Powwow.



Members of the Thundercloud Singers perform a song in honor of Ho-Chunk Nation members who are veterans of U.S. military conflicts.



Ralph Snake, chaplain with the American Legion’s Andrew Blackhawk Post 129, speaks with Airmen assigned to Volk Field Air National Guard Base.

US Marine Corps Veteran Monument Dedication

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature Chief Communications Officer

There was a US Marine Corps Veteran Monument dedication ceremony held in honor of the United States Marine Corps Veterans and in memory of Cpl. Mitchell Redcloud Jr. which was held at Memorial Park in Tomah, Wisconsin on November 10, 2015. Guest speakers at the event included Ron Tralmer, Mayor Shannon Hough, Representative Nancy VanderMeer and Ho-Chunk Nation President Wilfred Cleveland. Robert Mann was the MC for the event and the Wisconsin Dells Singers were the drum group for the event. The presentation of colors was completed by the Mitchell Redcloud Jr. Det 1363 Marine Corps League.



US Marine Corps Veterans Monument



L-R: Tomah Mayor Shannon Hough, Robert Mann, Representative Nancy VanderMeer, HCN District 2 Representative Andrea Estebo, Ho-Chunk Nation President Willy Cleveland, Ron Tralmer.



Mayor Shannon Hough and Ron Tralmer



Retiring the colors by Mitchell Redcloud Jr. Det 1363 Marine Corps League.



Representative Nancy VanderMeer addressing the crowd.




Wisconsin Dells Singers drum group



Harvest of the Month

PRESENTS November Cranberries



Pick

- Choose plump cranberries that are red, shiny, and firm to the touch.
- Berries that are discolored or shriveled should be tossed.

Store

- Fresh cranberries can be refrigerated up to 1 month or frozen for up to a year.
- Cooked cranberries can be refrigerated for a few days or frozen for up to 6 months.

Prepare

- Enjoy cranberries cooked, canned, frozen, dried or in 100% fruit juice.
- Rinse fresh cranberries under cold water before using.

Nutrition Info

- One cup of cranberries contains 50 calories.
- Cranberries are an excellent source of Vitamin C and Fiber.

Fun Facts

The cranberry is one of North America’s three native fruits. Cranberries were first used by Native Americans for food, fabric dye, and medicine.

Only 5% of cranberries are sold fresh. The remaining 95% are turned into cranberry juice, cranberry sauce, and other cranberry products.

Another name for cranberries is "bounce-berries" because they bounce when ripe.


Wisconsin is the nation’s #1 cranberry producer!


Uses

- Add them to smoothies, breads, and muffins.
- Top salads with dried cranberries.
- Combine unsweetened cranberry juice with your favorite fruit juice to develop a sweet and sour beverage.
- Cranberries can be a bit tart on their own but they pair well with sweeter fruits such as apples!

The Harvest of the Month is a partnership between Jackson County Department of Health and Human Services, Black River Memorial Hospital, Together for Jackson County Kids, Ho-Chunk Nation, UW Extension-Jackson County, local school districts, and the community.

Adapted from La Crosse County HOM program.





Ho-Chunk Nation Election Board

Notice of Vacancy and Deadline For Districts to Nominate One (1) Election Board Delegate and One (1) Election Board Alternate

Districts	Number of Election Board Delegate	Alternate
District 2:		
Baraboo	1	1
Lacrosse	1	1
Madison	1	1
Tomah	1	1
District 4:		
Milwaukee	1	1
Total	5	5

TERMS: All Election Board members shall serve terms of two (2) years. Election Board members may serve more than one term.

NOMINATIONS: Nominations for one (1) Election Board Delegate and one (1) Election Board Alternate to represent each District must be voted upon during your District’s November or December’s monthly meeting.

The District’s meeting minutes must include each District’s nomination for Election Board Delegate and Election Board Alternate. The minutes must be received at the Election Board Office no later than **4:00 PM – FRIDAY, December 18, 2015.**

HO-CHUNK NATION ELECTION BOARD OFFICE
206 S. Roosevelt Road
P.O. Box 756
Black River Falls, WI. 54615

715/284-8900 • 800/890-0583 • 715/284-8600 Fax

This notice has be posted 30 days before nominating a Delegate/Alternate, Posted 10/5/2015

SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

Kimberly A. Howell, Petitioner, v. Turquoise T. Howell, Respondent.
Case : 15-77

TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:
Turquoise T. Howell

You are hereby informed that you have been named a respondent in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Petition to Register & Enforce a Foreign Judgment or Order* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Petition* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the second published issuance of this *Summons*. You may request a hearing within your written response. See RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS ORDINANCE, 4 HCC § 2.5. Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed *can affect your right to object to the enforcement of the foreign judgment or order.* *Id.*, § 2.6c.

The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County) Wisconsin. The Trial Court’s mailing address is P. O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715) 284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is (715) 284-3136.

SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

In the Interest of Minor : D.D.S., DOB 05/31/2003 D.D.S., DOB 03/24/2009
Case : TG 15-12 TG 15-13

TO THE PARENT, GUARDIAN, LEGAL OR PHYSICAL CUSTODIAN AND/OR TRADITIONAL RELATIVE(S):
Lavonne S. Smith

You are hereby informed that you have been deemed an interested party in the above-entitled guardianship case. This legal notice of the filed *Petition for* is now served upon you by publication. A proceeding concerning the above-named is pending in the Court, and an adjudication will be made. The Court shall convene an *Guardianship Hearing* in accordance with HOCĀK NATION THIRD PARTY GUARDIANSHIP ACT, Para. 11.13a. Any parent(s), guardian(s) and/or person(s) having legal or physical custody of the must appear along with the at the *Hearing* described below.

The Court shall commence a proceeding at **2:00 pm** on the **7th** day of **December 2015** for the following purpose: ***Guardianship Hearing.*** Parties may seek to appear by telephone by submitting a written request and accompanying *Certificate of Service* to the presiding judge. See *Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rule 5(B). Pursuant to HOCĀK NATION THIRD PARTY GUARDIANSHIP ACT, Para. 11.13c, the parties have a right to counsel at their own expense; a right to confront and cross-examine those appearing against them; a right to present and subpoena witnesses; a right to substitution of judge; and a right to a jury trial.

NOTICE – VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT. SUBPOENAS: ‘THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA SHALL SUBJECT THE PERSON FAILING TO COMPLY TO THE CONTEMPT POWER OF THE COURT.’ THE COURT MAY FIND ANY PARTY TO THIS MATTER IN CONTEMPT OF COURT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT A COURT HEARING OR FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW COURT ORDERS.

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SUMMONS

(Second Publication)

IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

In the Interest of Minor : M.M., DOB 11/04/2011
Case : JV 12-18G

TO THE PARENT, GUARDIAN, LEGAL OR PHYSICAL CUSTODIAN AND/OR TRADITIONAL RELATIVE(S):
Frances Sanchez

You are hereby informed that you have been deemed an interested party in the above-entitled guardianship case. This legal notice of the filed *Petition for* is now served upon you by publication. A proceeding concerning the above-named is pending in the Court, and an adjudication will be made. The Court shall convene an *Guardianship Hearing* in accordance with HOCĀK NATION CHILDREN AND FAMILY ACT, Para. 3.76a. Any parent(s), guardian(s) and/or person(s) having legal or physical custody of the must appear along with the at the *Hearing* described below.

The Court shall commence a proceeding at **10:00 am** on the **6th** day of **January 2016** for the following purpose: ***Guardianship Hearing.*** Parties may seek to appear by telephone by submitting a written request and accompanying *Certificate of Service* to the presiding judge. See *Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rule 5(B). Pursuant to HOCĀK NATION CHILDREN AND FAMILY ACT, Para. 3.20g, the parties have a right to legal counsel of their own choice and at their own expense.

NOTICE – VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT. SUBPOENAS: ‘THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA SHALL SUBJECT THE PERSON FAILING TO COMPLY TO THE CONTEMPT POWER OF THE COURT.’ THE COURT MAY FIND ANY PARTY TO THIS MATTER IN CONTEMPT OF COURT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT A COURT HEARING OR FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW COURT ORDERS.

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The Ho-Chunk Nation donates to Minnesota organizations

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature Chief Communications Officer

The Ho-Chunk Nation made donations to the Women of Nations organization and the American Indian Cancer Foundation. The Ho-Chunk Nation donated \$5000 to the Women of Nations and \$2000 to the American Indian Cancer Foundation at the St. Paul District Meeting on November 12, 2015 in St. Paul, Minnesota. Ho-Chunk Nation District 5 Representatives along with Ho-Chunk Nation

tribal members presented the checks to representatives from the two organizations. Della Plume, the Women of Nations Executive Director, mentioned, “The Women of Nations is tremendously grateful for the Ho-Chunk Nation’s support. The \$5,000.00 in grant money will be used to provide safe shelter, advocacy services, and basic needs to all women fleeing domestic violence. The shelter is open 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. We are a 44 bed emergency shelter and always full



L-R: Julie Jacobson, Rosetta Hunt, Neely Snyder, Brenda Bruce, Representative Matthew Mullen, Representative Kathy Lonetree-Whiterabbit, Representative Forrest Whiterabbit



L-R: Rosetta Hunt, Stephanie Yellowbank, Representative Forrest Whiterabbit, Crystal Hedemann, Brenda Bruce, Representative Matthew Mullen, Representative Kathy Lonetree-Whiterabbit

to capacity. Your donation will help provide clothing, food, diapers, transportation, and toiletries for the women and children.” The AICF Operations Manager, Neely Snyder, commented on the donation and said, “The American Indian Cancer Foundation is very appreciative of the Ho-Chunk Nation for this contribution which has enabled us

to launch our premiere Online Store. With these funds, we were able to pay the initial set-up fees and feature a new breast cancer awareness t-shirt that has become one of our most popular items to date. The Online Store is an opportunity for the organization to diversify revenue, which is critical to the sustainability of the organization.”

Ho-Chunk Nation Donates \$25,000 to Tomah Youth Soccer Association

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, HCN Legislature Chief Communications Officer
The Ho-Chunk Nation made a \$25,000.00 donation to the Tomah Youth Soccer Association on Friday, November 13, 2015. Ho-Chunk Nation District 2 Representative Andrea Estebo met with members from the Tomah Youth Soccer Association at Veterans Park Soccer Fields in Tomah, Wisconsin for a check presentation. Tomah Youth Soccer Association members

included: Giovanni Veloso, Tiffany Pergande, Tina Branvig and Rodney Calhoun. The soccer organization is raising funds to pay for lights for the soccer field. This is the first big donation that they have received. They have a goal of raising \$150,000.00 for new lights at the soccer field. There were over 400 students in the soccer program this spring. It was the highest number of players in the program so far. The donation is a gaming compact deduction.



L-R: Giovanni Veloso, Tiffany Pergande, HCN District 2 Rep. Andrea Estebo, Tina Branvig, and Rodney Calhoun.

Other HCN donations



The Black River Falls Fire Department received a \$75,000 donation from the Ho-Chunk Nation on November 16. The department plans to use the money to buy a new rescue truck. In the photo are BRF Fire Department representatives Frank Koresh, Mark Nordahl, Ho-Chunk Nation District 1 Representative Greg Blackdeer, and BRF Fire Department Chief Steve Schrieber and Jody Stoker.



The Jackson Little League received a \$25,000 check from the Ho-Chunk Nation on November 16. The money will be used to buy overhead lights for the Dale Borreson Field in Brockway so that night games can be played. Another project is to renovate the concession stand at the field. Pictured are Jackson Little League umpire Kevin Gunderson, Ho-Chunk Nation District 1 Representative Greg Blackdeer, and Jackson Little League representatives Kelly Hurst and Dina Hanson.

Ho-Chunk Gaming – Wittenberg Awarded Large Business of the Year

Submitted by Joey Daniels-Sr. Manager Public Relations, Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg

On November 10, 2015, the Antigo/Langlade Chamber of Commerce held their annual membership banquet at the North Star Lanes in Antigo. Local businesses were honored for their years of service within the community and how they have been a positive impact. Past year accomplishments as well as future endeavors were discussed to show how businesses network, grow and become more visible within the community.

Each year, chamber members are asked to nominate and select award winners for the following categories: Large Business of the Year, Mid-sized Business of the

Year, Small Business of the Year and Hometown Business of the Year. Once the nominations have been collected, a ballot form is sent to each chamber member to vote for Business of the Year in all four categories. The awards are then presented at the annual banquet. Of the many businesses present, Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg was one of four nominated for the “Large Business of the Year” Award Nominees included: Amron, Covantage Credit Union, Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg and Waukesha Bearings.

After a motivational speech from Mr. Craig C. Culver, Co-Founder and Chairman of Culver’s, it was time to announce the annual award winners. As employees of Ho-



L-R Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg Employees, Joey Daniels-SMPR, Tracy Pecore- Marketing Director, Bernice Twinn-CFO, Eileen Brown-SMFB, Pam Szutkowski GSR
Back Row L-R Deena Grabowski- Antigo/Langlade Chamber, Sean Brunette-Slots Director, Brenda Heath- Security, Jacob Vargas-PCM



Chunk Gaming Wittenberg sat quietly, the presenter read the following statement, “The business being honored as Large Business of the year is happy to work with surrounding community organizations to become true business partners while raising awareness about what they have to offer. They are proud and fortunate to support many local Wisconsin communities and organizations. We are proud to

present the Large Business of the Year award to Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg”.

Since opening the doors in November of 2008, Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg has been a growing business not only in size but in local and surrounding communities. As Public Relations, “We try to support community organizations not only through monetary donations but by making a presence visually through

charity events, networking with other local businesses and community involvement; as well as showing support for the areas that support us.”

Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg is thankful for the award, it lets us know that we are doing a good job for both the Ho-Chunk Nation and the local communities. Thank you to all that voted for Ho-Chunk Gaming Wittenberg and for the continued support.

Project Help Care Drive delivery

Ho-Chunk Gaming donates 787 lbs. of hygiene items to Central WI Community Action from the Project Help Care Drive. The month long care drive collected 1,615 lbs. of donations from guests. Ho-Chunk Nation Social Services will receive the other half of the donations. Ho-Chunk Gaming would like to thank the local community for supporting this annual care drive.



L-R: Holly Weber – CWCAC volunteer, Liz Johnson – Ho-Chunk Gaming Maintenance Dept. and Wally Zepplin – CWCAC volunteer.



HCN DEPT OF HEALTH (proposed new dress code)
The Ho Chunk Nation Department of Health has met the many challenges of each day.
HCN DOH continues to evolve in line with all the top service providers in the nation.
Quality centered patient care is a direct result of the experience and expertise of medical staff & employees.
The work that is done within the HCN DOH is exemplary.
The motivation, the knowledge base and the drive of medical staff inspires EXCELLENCE.
At the end of each day, HCN DOH employees are still devoted to accomplishing their mission.



Happy Ho-Chunk Day

from the Hlocak Worak Staff

Meeting Notice

Law Enforcement Commission Monthly

December 3, 2015 • 10:00 am
HCG-Nekoosa Banquet Room



NOTICE

CHANGE MEETING DAY AND PLACE FOR:
ANDREW BLACKHAWK LADIES AUXILIARY
FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH

AT: 6:00 P.M.
AT THE: LEGION HALL
W 9802 AIRPORT ROAD
BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI. 54615

CONTACT: 715.299.7775 

Considering a Career in the Trades?



TAKE AVANTAGE OF ONE OF MANY SKILLED
TRAINING PROGRAMS TODAY TO ENSURE A
BETTER TOMORROW FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY

Wisconsin State Building & Construction Trades Conference

Ho Chunk Nation – Apprenticeship Outreach Meeting
“Pathways to Meaningful Careers”
Blue Wing Community Center
320 Epoch Avenue
Tomah, WI 54660
January 13, 2016
9:30am-3:30pm

JOIN US TO DISCUSS WHICH PROFESSION IS RIGHT FOR YOU

- WI Apprenticeship Overview – WI DWD-Bureau of Apprenticeship Standards
- Skilled Trades Presentations – WI Building and Construction Trades Unions
- “Opening Doors” – Opportunities in the Skilled Trades
- Opportunities for Veterans: WPTA-VIP
- Small Group and Individual Discussions with Apprenticeship Coordinators and Union Representative



For more information contact us at:
715-284-5877
angela.ward@ho-chunk.com

HO-CHUNK NATION DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING
HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM



IF YOU HAVE SIGNED UP FOR THE HOMEOWNERSHIP PROGRAM
PLEASE CONTACT DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING TO UPDATE YOUR
INFORMATION. CONTACT VICKI SHISLER, SHEILA STOUT, OR
MICHELLE WINNESHIEK.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION,
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING
608-374-1225

General Council Agency
Vacancy
Announcements:

- Baraboo - GCA Alternate (1)
- La Crosse - GCA Alternate (1)

Tribal members who are interested must be voted in by a majority vote
at the monthly area meeting.

For more information, contact the following:

Joy Thompson, GCA Advocate at Joy.Thompson@ho-chunk.com
Wendy Running Horse, GCA Deputy Advocate at Wendy.Runninghorse@ho-chunk.com
Tonie Lewis, PT GCA Deputy Advocate at Tonie.Lewis@ho-chunk.com
Julia Hopinkah Archie, LTE GCA Secretary at Julia.Archie@ho-chunk.com
John Swimmer, GCA Attorney at John.Swimmer@ho-chunk.com

The Office of the General Council provides resolution assistance.
27374 State Highway 21 Suite #2 Tomah, WI 54660
Phone: (715)284-7891 Fax: (608)372-6092

GCA Meetings Schedule:

THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME.

- GCA Quarterly Meeting:
 - o When: Saturday January 16, 2016 at 10:00 AM.
 - o Where: Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wisconsin Dells- Baraboo, WI
- GCA Regular Monthly Meeting:
 - o When: Saturday February 20, 2016 at 10:00 AM.
 - o Where: Office of the General Council- Tomah, WI.
- GCA Regular Monthly Meeting:
 - o When: Saturday March 19, 2016 at 10:00 AM.
 - o Where: Office of the General Council- Tomah, WI.
- GCA Quarterly Meeting:
 - o When: Saturday April 16, 2016 at 10:00 AM.
 - o Where: Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wisconsin Dells-Baraboo, WI.
- GCA Regular Monthly Meeting:
 - o When: Saturday May 14, 2016 at 10:00 AM.
 - o Where: Office of the General Council- Tomah, WI.
- GCA Regular Monthly Meeting:
 - o When: Saturday June 18, 2016 at 10:00 AM.
 - o Where: Office of the General Council- Tomah, WI.

NOTE: GENERAL COUNCIL AGENCY MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO THE OPEN
MEETINGS ACT.

Let's Bead!



Beading Classes Have Begun!
Every Tuesday 6pm-8pm

We have started with Earrings but more projects are coming
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME

Linda White will be instructing

All the materials are provided by the Office

If you'd like you can bring your own beads and thread

Snacks and refreshments will be potluck

Ho-Chunk Nation Chicago Branch Office
4738 N. Milwaukee Ave.
Chicago, IL 60630

Office Hours: Mon-Fri (8am to 4:30pm)
Phone#: (773) 202-8433



HHCDA's
Home Buyer Education

Saturday December 5, 2015
9am-4pm

Madison Area Branch Office
1320 Mendota St
Suite 107+108
Madison, WI. 53207

Please feel free to contact Elaina Cloud @ 608-374-1245
extension 238 or by email Elaina.Cloud@ho-chunk.com

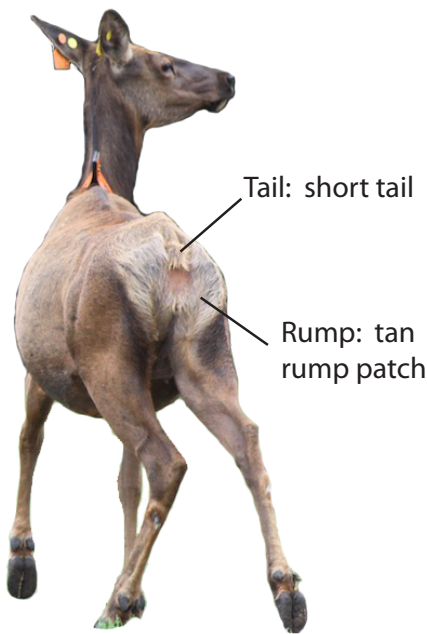


DON'T SHOOT AN ELK!

Elk have been reintroduced to Jackson County

Watch for similarities and differences between elk and white-tailed deer

ELK COW/CALF

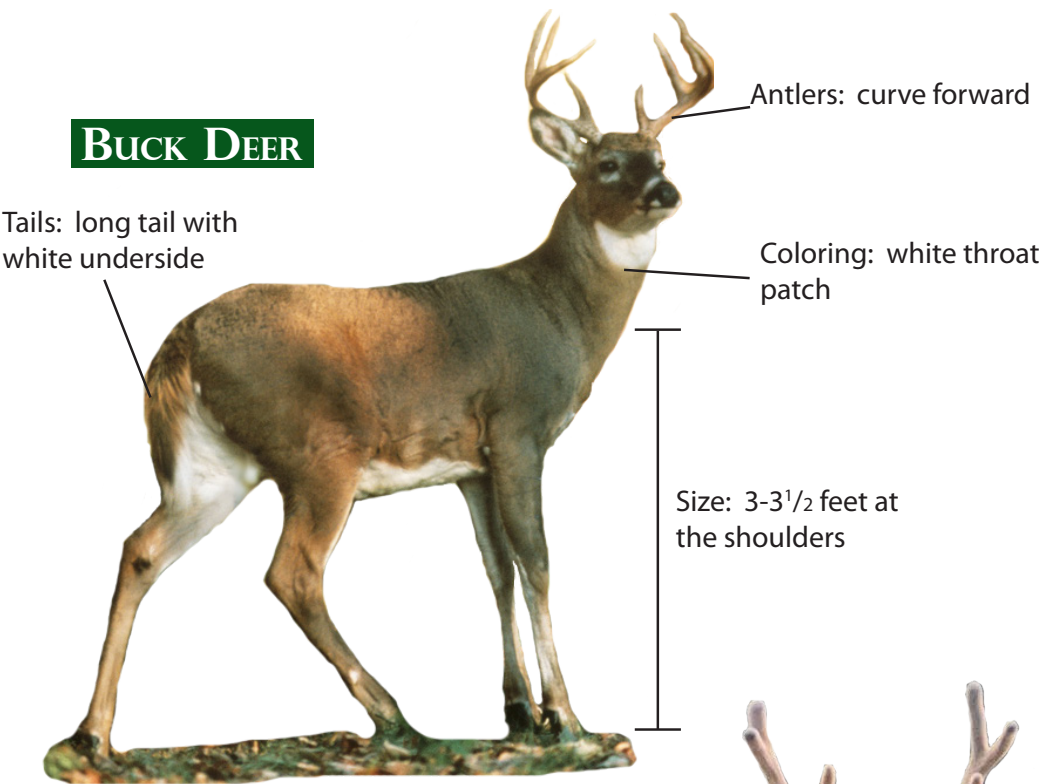


WHITE-TAILED DOE/FAWN

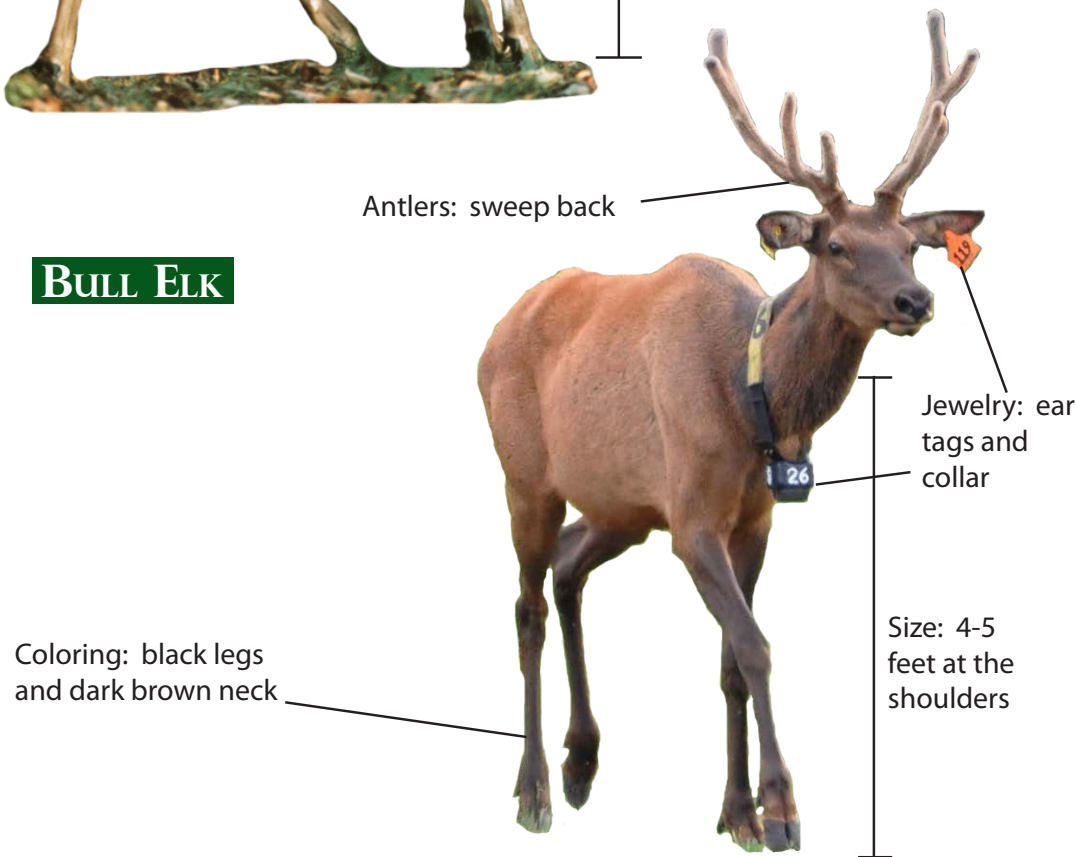


A 5-6-month-old calf will be about the same size as an adult white-tailed doe.

BUCK DEER



BULL ELK



ALWAYS BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET AND BEYOND!

Similarities and differences

ELK CALVES & WHITE-TAILED DOES:

A 5-6-month-old elk calf will be about the same size as an adult white-tailed doe.

TAILS:

Elk have a short tail; Deer have a long tail with a white underside.

SIZE:

Adult Elk stand 4 - 5 feet at the shoulders; Deer stand 3-3½ feet at the shoulders.

COLORING:

Elk have a tan rump patch, black legs and dark brown, furry neck. Deer have legs the same color as their bodies, and a white throat patch.

ANTLERS:

Elk antlers sweep back; Deer antlers curve forward.

JEWELRY:

Most elk have been marked with collars and ear tags.